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THREE-DIMENSIONAL DATA SETS"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants respectfully request that a citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

See Form PTO-1449 for list of
prior art cited by applicants.

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AA, AL, AM and AR are cited since they were listed in the German Patent Office Search Report, a copy of which is enclosed.

Copies of the above-cited references are enclosed for the Examiner's review.

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